

**DRAFT****PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: Burn Resistant and High Tensile Strength Metal Alloys

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Washington, D.C. 20231**DRAFT**  
**FOR DISCUSSION ONLY****PROPOSED AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (AMENDED) A burn resistant and high tensile strength alloy, comprising:

- about 55 to about 75 weight percent nickel;
- about 12 to about 17 weight percent cobalt;
- [at most about 12] less than 10 weight percent chromium;
- about 1 to about 4 weight percent aluminum; and
- about 1 to about 4 weight percent titanium.

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11. (AMENDED) A nickel alloy, comprising:
  - at least [about 72] 75 weight percent nickel;
  - about 13.5 to about 16.5 weight percent cobalt;
  - about 6 to about 15 weight percent chromium;
  - about 1 to about 4 weight percent aluminum; and
  - about 1 to about 4 weight percent titanium.
  
18. (AMENDED) A nickel-based metal alloy comprising:
  - at least 50 weight percent nickel;
  - less than [about 12] 10 weight percent chromium;
  - a threshold pressure at least about 4,000 pounds per square inch; and
  - a tensile strength at least about 160,000 pounds per square inch.

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